TERRIBLE DOUBLE TRACEDY.

Iwo Brothers Shot Dead at a Bohemian Picnic Near Exeter.

KILLED FOR PROTECTING A GIRL.

The Murderer Arrested and Held to Await the Action of the Grand Jury-Talk of Linching Indulged In.

Two Brothers Killed at a Picnic. EXETER, Neb., August 22 .- | Special Telegram to the BEE.]-News was brought early this morning of a terrible shooting affair at a Bohemian picnic and dance on the banks of Furkey creek last night. Nothing definite sould be learned beyond the fact that John Newer, an influential citizen of Friend, and his brother Frank had been murdered by a

growd of railroaders, part of the construction gang of the Kansas City & Omaha railroad. The coroner and sheriff were summoned, and posse in search of the murderer brought in six of the railroaders. A jury was impanelled and during the investigation one of the men, Thomas Rook, confessed to the shooting, but entered a plea of self-defense. As near as can be ascertained the Bohemians were holding one of their plenics on the farm of George Newer, nine miles southeast of here. One of the railroaders present tried to entice a young girl away from the dance into the woods and the girl told Mrs. John Newer, who in turn informed her husband. He and his brothers, Frank and George, interviewed the man. Words followed and Frank promptly knocked one of them down, only to fall himself with a bullet in the back of his head. John started for the shootist, who turned and ran, but after going some twenty feet the fellow turned and shot John Newer through the head, putting another bullet through his heart before he fell. Both men were killed instantly. Rook is an ex-cowboy and an ugly customer, as his victims bear silent testimony. He was taken to Geneva this evening by Sheriff Carson to await the action of the

grand jury. ANOTHER AND DIFFERENT ACCOUNT. FRIEND, Neb., August 22 .- | Special Telegram to the BEE.]-At a Bohemian picnic Sunday night, held about ten miles southwest of here, in Fillmore county, John and Frank Newer were shot and instantly killed by it is supposed a railroad man. Beer was the exciting cause. Six rallroaders tried to steal some of their beverage, which was on a wagon in kegs, when the proprietor, John Newer, interfered with the remark that he was "On to their racket," and slapped one in the face. At the same time John's brother Frank came up and was immediately shot down, the ball striking him in the back of the head. John, Newer, seeing his brother lying dead at his feet, jumped towards his murderer with the remark, "The s- of a bhas shot my brother," when on the instant two more shots were heard and he fell dead, one ball striking him in the chest and the other in the nose, ranging upwards and lodging in the brain. News comes tonight that the murderer has been captured. His name is Thomas Rook, living near Exeter. The coroner's jury has adjourned until to-morrow. Great excitement prevails and lynching will not be considered an unnatural outcome of the double tragedy. A later report says they have taken the alleged murderer to Geneva for safe keeping. A report which just came in says a mob of ex-

ited men have left Friend for Exeter. Progress of the Richardson Trial. LOUP CITY, Neb., August 23,- | Special Telegram to the BEE. |-The Richardson trial opened at 9 a. m. The state began by examining Coronor Kettell, who testified concerning the wounds and the fatality of them. The state then followed by introducing three witness' who saw from the opposite side of the street the latter part of the affray. Then followed the barber, A. M. Bennett who has up to this time kept the piece o metal that was thrown across the shop at the time of the killing. Bennett stated that when Willard entered the shop he expected there would be trouble and wiped his razor to lay aside. He saw Willard advance and noticed that Richardson backed away a step or two, show-ing signs of fear or dread. The two men then commenced a discussion. He (Ben-nett) then thought that matters were going to be settled without much trouble and renett) then thought that matters were going to be settled without much trouble and resumed his work, when the metal passed his chair, struck the back door and rebounded, striking the chair. He looked, and as he looked the two snots were fired in rapid succession. Bennett says that Willard had hold of Richardson and had his head drawn down so that the top of the head rested against Willard's collar, or the upper part of his chest, when the shots were fired. The defense take a great deal of courage from Bennett's statements. The state introduced several witnesses who evidently harbor a strong hatred for the prisoner, but introduced several witnesses who evidently harbor a strong hatred for the prisoner, but the force of their testimony is invariably broken by the scathing cross-examination of Senator Paul. Many farmers and strangers in town are surprised when they see the state has so far failed to make a plain unquestionable case, as they expected it would from the rumors first set afloat. Just before the close of to-day's session the state expressed a desire to rest, and the defense filed a motion that the court require the state to motion that the court require the state to produce their witnesses, three of whom are

Dragged to Death. DAVID CITY, Neb., August 22.—|Special Telegram to the BEE. |-News reaches us today of a serious accident which happened near Bellwood yesterday. A son of William Napier was riding a skittish horse. The animal became frightened and threw the boy, whose foot caught in the stirrup and he was dragged for a half-mile to the house. When found he was in an unconscious condition Commencing at the eyelids, the scalp was torn almost completely from the head. Dr. Peebles, who was summoned from the place, devoted four hours to dressing up the wound. and says it is the most peculiar case he ever saw. It is doubtful if the boy will recover.

Custer County Corn. ARNOLD, Neb., August 22. - | Special to the BEE!.-In the western part of Custer county corn will yield 70 to 75 per cent of a full crop or 35 to 40 bushels to the acre. The shortage is caused by drouth. Increased acreage is about 40 per cent, making an increase in the aggregate yield. Copious rains have fallen lately, so that there can be no more damage

from drouth. BROKEN Bow, Neb., August 22 .- | Special to the BEE .—The present condition of corn is excellent. The acreage is increased 75 per cent over last year. At present it promises to yield from 50 to 60 bushels to the acre.

Richardson County Farmers Happy. SHUBERT, Neb., August 22. - Special Tel egram to the BEE. |-A glorious rain began here about 2:30 p. m. Saturday and continued through the afternoon and a heavy rain again during the night. There were reports of a hallstorm at Salem and Falls City, but there was none here. Richardson county has been enriched thousands of dollars. Late corn, vegetables and pastures will be greatly improved. Farmers are greatly cheered and imbued with new life.

Troops For the Reunion. NORFOLK, Neb., August 21.- | Special Telegram to the Bee. A special train from Fort Niobrara, bearing companies B. Fand H. Eighth United States infantry, will be completed this week.

under command of Captain Porter, arrived this evening to attend the North Nebraska reunion. Camp Logan is now in readiness for the reception of visitors and large delega-tions are expected to-morrow.

At Bellevue Range.

BELLEVUE, Neb., August 22.—|Special Telegram to the BEE|—The contest for places on the department team closed Saturday. This forenoon was devoted to a regimental team skirmish match, with the following results, the team being composed of eight men each:

A Remarkable Addition to Science. MILLARD. Neb.. August 22 .- | Special to the BEE. |-On July 23 last, while Mr. Albert Schroeder was stacking barley in his field, he found a bull snake about five feet long he found a bull snake about five feet long and noticed that it had five lumps in its body. He cut its head off and opened the body and found five guinea eggs in it. These eggs he placed under a setting hen, and to the infinite surprise and delight of Mr. Schroeder's family and neighbors, the little guineas batched out, all five alive and hearty troday.

Suicided Over Family Troubles. CLARKSON, Neb., August 22 .- [Special to the BEE.]-Ignatus Dlohi, a Bohemian resident of this place, sulcided Sunday evening last by hanging to a rafter from the stairway at his residence. Cause, family troubles.

A Newspaper Sold. CLARKSON, Neb., August 22 .- | Special to the BEE. |-The Clarkson Enterprise has been purchased by McFarland Bros., of Stanton, for Pilger, Neb.

HUNTINGTON HOME. The Railway Magnate Talks About

the Pacific Investigation. NEW YORK, August 29 .- [Special Telegram to the BEE. j-Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Huntington, Miss Clara Huntington and Miss C. D. Huntington, returned home from Europe by the steamer Aurania last evening. Huntington looked as bronzed and rugged as a sea captain, and said he had been greatly benefitted by his trip. When asked about the Pacific rallroad investigation and rumors of his indictment, he smiled, and then, with a graver look as he snook his head, he added: "I have seen some accounts of the investigations from time to time, but I have not kept up fully with it, and papers have not been sent with details. I thought the appointment of the Pacific railroad commission was a good measure when it was made, and I don't know of anything to cause me to change my opinion. We have nothing to conceal that relates to the business of the Central Pacific with the government. Of course, there are many business details of no interest to anybody but the railroad company, and we do not care to gratify the curiosity of prving individuals in regard to interests which do not concern them and are of no public importance, but which they wish to extract through the commission. I am quite sure that the members of the commission are intelligent enough to perceive such influence and to discriminate when an effort is made to force them on the public. We have never used money to bribe officials and there

is no evidence nor any circumstance that can fasten such a stigma on us. What Stanford has done I am quite sure was the wisest thing to do under the circumstances."

"Have you formed any new public project while on the other side?"

"No; I gave very little attention to business."

ness."
"Have you made any further arrangements for having steamers built in England for the new line between Newport News and Liverpool for the Chesapeake & Ohio?"
"No; there has been nothing done about it of any importance, yet there was some talk of negotiations for the Monarch line steamers that did not come to anything." ers that did not come to anything."

A Machine Company Attached. St. Joseph, Mo., August 22 .- | Special Telegram to the BEE.]-The Champion Machine company's branch house in this city was attached to-day by the sheriff on a note for \$6,000 and interest. The note was sent by the president of the Champion Machine company, Amos Whitley, of Springfield, to his brother, William Whitley, who transferred it to the First National Bank of Boston. The Fidelity bank failure in Cincinnat is the cause of the trouble, Mr. Amos Whitley being security for a large amount of Fidelity paper. The plant here is closed. It is the largest machine house in the city. Mr. J. H. Quigley, agent for the Champion house, says the attachment will amount to little and not at all effect the business of the concern. It is a question as to whether the Champion company is liable for the personal debts of one of the company. Mr. Amos Whitley's endorsement was to save his brother, William Whitley in the castern and was given in his personal ca pacity.

Sinking of a Propeller.

DULUTH, Minn., August 23-| Special Telegram to the BEE. |-The propellor A. Booth, owned by the Booth Packing company, which sank last year off Grand Marias reef. Lake Superior, had been successfully raised by J. G. Falcon, a well known Chicago wrecker, and was in good condition, the damage being but trifling. She was towed to this port for repairs. The casks by which she was floated were fixed firmly to her and she had traveled about twenty-five innes of the distance when a terrific northeaster set in, breaking several casks, so that the boat keeled over on her starboard side and sank three-quarters of a mile off Poplar river in twenty fathoms of water. One minute and a half after she disappeared part of her figure-head rose to the surface, indicating that she had struck on her "nose." She will be a total loss. Value \$19.000 had struck on her "nose." total loss. Value, \$19,000.

Rosenfeld's Will Probated.

CHICAGO, August 22,-The will of the late Levi Rosenfeld was probated to-day. The will is dated December 3, 1883, and gives Maurice and Harry, the two sons, handsome amounts in personal property and a fair share of the realty, but a codicil, dated June 26, 1887, directs that all bequests to Maurice be revoked, and that all such be read as being made to his wife and be free from all control of his creditors. She is directed to pay over to him from time to time such sums as are necessary to maintain him in the station to which he had been accustomed, all to be free from control by creditors. The larger portion of the estate is left to the widow, with numerous bequests to children, grand-children and charitable institutions.

The Work Not Interfered With. WINNIPEG, August 22 .- The injunction against the Red River Valley railroad has not interfered with the work yet. Nothing more can be done until Wednesday. By that time several contractors will have finished their contracts and by Saturday all the grading will be done. Track laying will commence right away, probably from Morris south to the Northern Pacific connection. after which tren will be laid from Morris to

Winnings, Rowan with a sheriff's party, visited is this morning to serve an injunction organing of the Red River Valley road, and the contractors gone. He then ted the fence torn down which had been

SOME VERY CROOKED PLANKS,

They Are Found in the Democratic Platform Adopted at Roanoke.

MADE TO DECEIVE THE PEOPLE.

An Able Address to Electors By the Republican State Committee of Virginia-Hotlow Promises Exposed.

Democratic Duplicity.

PETERSBURG, Va., August 22.-The Virginia republican state committee has issued an address to republican electors, the first part of which is an answer to the address recently put forth by the democratic managers. After referring to the indorsement of President Cleveland and that his administration will receive the cordial support of the democratic party in Virginia, the address says: 'The democrats are inconsistent and insincere as they demand the repeal of the internal revenue system and the passage of the Clair bill, when it is known that President Cleveland is opposed to the ope and withheld his indorsement from the other. His formal and expressed approval of Secretary Manning's views and rec-ommendations upon the subject of taxation and revenue are conclusive. Secretary Manning deprecates that there is no longer any duty or tax imposed upon tea and coffee and while urging the reduction of duties upon such articles of import as are produced in our own country, squarely opposes any reduction of taxes imposed upon tobacco, fruit distillation and whisky. President Cleveland approves these views and recommendations of Secretary Manning. That Cleveland's administration is a bitter disappointment to the managers of the democratic party of Virginia is attested by loud and deep complaints. It may be that the democratic managers sincerely wish the repeal of the internal revenue system, from motives of self-preservation, but when they declare for the repeal of a system, as part of the democratic faith, they are guilty of efforts to deceive the voters of the commonwealth. That system is neld by the democratic party as a hostage to compel the overthrow of the republican policy of protection to American labor and industries. The national democratic platform upon which Cleveland was elected promised to repeal the internal revenue system, but pledged the party to the continuance of internal revenue taxes and their application to the payment of pensions. Every message of President Cleveland has ignored any suggestion of a repeal of the internal revenue system. The democratic majority of the Forty-ninth congress, speaking in accord-ance with the views of President Cleveland, has given unmistakable responses on behalf of the democratic party."

The address refers to an adverse report

The address refers to an adverse report upon the bill to reduce the internal revenue taxes, submitted by Mr. Morrison, chairman of the committee on ways and means, July 10, 1886, and to an adverse report upon a resolution "repealing taxes upon tobacco" submitted on the same date by W. C. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, another leading representative of the democratic majority. This is the later record of the national democracy now in power, upon the repeal of the internal revepower, upon the repeal of the internal revenue system and the democratic party which for ten years, excepting the Forty-seventh congress, controlled the house of representatives and failed to act upon the subject. "It was by the Forty-seventh congress, which was republican," says the address, "that the taxes were educed fully \$50,000,000, the reduction on tobacco being from 16 to 18 cents. Yet of the leaders of the democratic party in Virginia are trying to delude the people into the belief that the repeal of that system may now be accomplished power, upon the repeal of the internal reve-

eal of that system may now be accomplished by the democratic party. The promise of this repeal was made in 1884 by several democratic candidates to congress but the people could not be deceived. It remains now to be tested whether the same hollow pretext car tested whether the same hollow pretext can be used in 1887 by the democracy with any more success than attended them in 1886. We declare that at the moment the republican party lost control of the government it was prepared to act upon this subject, that President Arthur had urged the repeal of the tobacco tax and a democratic house with a republican senate ready and anxious to reduce taxes declined to preceed. That the republican can senate ready and anxious to reduce taxes declined to proceed. That the republican party is now so practically united in favor of the repeal of the tax on tobacco and fruit distillation, and if restored to power will resmove the burden which those domestic products have so long endured. We assert that the democratic party in congress is considered. move the burden which those domestic products have so long endured. We assert that the democratic party in congress is opposed to the appeal of the internal revenue system as shown by the declaration of its leaders from President Cleveland down. We appeal to you to support the republican candidates for the legislature and not waste your votes on candidates whose faction favoring the repeal of these taxes is in a hopeless minority in its own natural party. The platform of the Roanoke convention respecting the tariff is at vairince with the record of the democratic party. It declares in favor of a revenue derived from a tariff on imports and in favor of the repeal of the internal revenue system which the record of the party unanimously shows that the reverse is the democratic doctrine and we arraign the platform as misleading and seeking to deceive the people upon a question vital to their interests and to the progress and power of the sirike. The Washington Post and the New York World, two of the most influential democratic journals in this most influential democratic journals in this country, have declared openly that the rev-enue and tariff planks of the Roanoke platform are diametrically opposed to democratic principles, and all over the east, north and west the orthodox organs of the democracy have united in denouncing this platform and

Its frame."
The address arraigns the democracy for the The address arraigns the democracy for the incompetency and unfruitfuliness which cause the failure of the act of the new republican legislature for the equitable readjustment of the state debt.

"As to federal aid on the debt," says the address, "the question, if it is ever given effect will be through the liberal construction. fect, will be through the liberal construction contended for by the republican party.

"The republican party will cheerfully unite in every effort to aid disabled soldiers and The address denies that the democratic party founded or are responsible for the

It says: "The republican party has always It says: "The republican party has always been faithful to the agricultural interests of the state, and we remind the people that Secretary Manning recommended the repeal of the tariff on wheat, corn and other farm products, and that tea and coffee should be taxed as luxuries. As Mr. Cleveland endorsed this and the democratic party endorsed Cleveland, we ask the farmers to consider what this declaration of friendship is worth. We feel that our party, whose proudest motto We feel that our party, whose proudest motto is, 'The Dignity of American Labor and the Protection of American industries,' needs no rapid asseveration of friendship for the laboring man,"

The address arraigns Governor Lee for his many shortcomings, and then touches upon the finances by asking what became of the \$1,500,712 which was in the treasury in 1883, when the democrats re-en-tered the capital, and what has been done with the taxes since collected, amounting to over \$10,000,000, and why there is now so little money in the treasury, yet an accumulation of over same period, increasing the state debt \$4,500,-000. The people have a right to know why the annual costs of administering the governhave increased from \$802,000 to over

The balance of the address deals with many questions which are only of local in

Delegates Opposed to Powderly. New York, August 22.-District Assembly 49, Knights of Labor, has elected eleven delegates to the general assembly which meets in Minneapolis in October, ten of whom are opposed to General Master Workman Powderly's administration.

How Cleveland Keeps His Promises. WASHINGTON, August 23,- | Special Telegram to the BER.]-Charles McComber is

jurist of profound ability but he was a whole-souled good fellow who has done a great deal for the democratic party in his day. Twenty years ago no democratic meeting in Erie county or western New York was complete without the presence of McComber. He was one of the best imprompte speakers in the western end of the state and he was always called upon for a speech whenever the regular speaker of the evening found himself in a tight hole through the questions of the opposition. He was a lawyer by profession but has had several political positions of trust in Buffalo and served as post warden in New York for several years and no man did more to secure the election of Grover Cleveland to the shrievalty of Erie county than Charley McComber. Four or five years ago he came to Washington, and during the time that he has been there he has been engaged in the business of claim attorney. But he has been ill a great deal and aged dulled his eloquence and affected his memory. When Cleveland was elected to the presidency "Mac" applied for a minor position. He asked that he be appointed to a place where he could support his wife and child in moderate comtort, and suggested that a place then lilled by the ex-postserved as post warden in New York for gested that a place then lilled by the ex-post-master of Buffalo, Schemerhorn, be given to master of Buffalo, Schemerhorn, be given to him. This place was a special agency in the customs service, and McComber could have filled it with credit. He was endorsed by the solid democracy of Erie county. There is every reason to believe that he has an absolute promise from the president that he should have the position or one that was equally good. But he did not get it or any other position at the hands of the president. He was taken with a stroke of apoplexy on Saturday and to-day he died. Last week the president heard of McComber's destitution and sent him \$50 and a quantity of provisions. It is reported to-night that the president has notified the widow that he will take cate of the funeral and that all expenses care of the funeral and that all expenses will be paid by him. The treatment of McComber by the president is not an isolated case. Every Buffaloian or almost every one who has appealed to him for an office soon after the election has been treated in the same way. Soon after the election of 1884, an elector on the democratic ticket called on Governor Cleveland and congratulated him on the successful outcome of the election. Cleveland thanked him and asked if he could do anything for him. The minister said he wanted nothing for himself but that he had an old nucle in Buffalo whom he would like to see settled in a comfortable berth. The uncles name was Henry Zielgle. Cleveland knew him well and he would be willing and glad to appoint him to any place which he might desire in the consular service. Ziegle hearing of this wrote that he would very much like to go as consul to Stutgart. The president like to go as consul to Stutgart. The president answered in his own handwriting that as as soon after his inauguration as president as he possibly could, he would appoint Mr. Ziegle to the place. Within two months after the inauguration he appointed, not Ziegle, but a Mr. Kimball, of Chicago. Of course there was a row. The president said that it was all a mistake and that he was very sorry. Mr. Bayard had made out the papers and he had signed them without remembering that he had promised this another place to his Buffalo friend. Was there not place to his Buffalo friend. Was there not place which Ziegle would like? Ziegle said that the only other position for which he would care a straw was the consulship at Mannhiem. Mr. Cleveland did not like to remove the incumbent Rudolph Wollfshon, also a resident of Buffalo who had only occupied the place for Rudolph Wollfshon, also a resident of Buf-falo, who had only occupied the place for about a year but if there was a change Ziegel should be remembered. He had to be con-tented with this. A few weeks after Wollf-shon resigned, Zeigel thought surely he would get the place now but he did not. Before it had been vacant two weeks James C. Mon-ogan, of Rhode Island, had been selected to fill the vacancy.

ill the vacancy.

It is bad enough to have an office which has been promised to one Dutchman given to another Dutchman's said Zeigel. "When it is given to an Irishman it is a thousand times worse. I am disgusted and mad. Cleveland and Pacific Plunderers. WASHINGTON, August 22,- | Special Telegram to the BEE. |-There is very much surprise expressed here as to the apathy of the president towards the Pacific railroad plunderers. His indifference to the interests of the people shown in his dispatch to the commissioners is freely commented gupon. Said a prominent politician here to-day: "Had the resident seen some of these same robbers in the cloak rooms at the capitol during the dis-cussion of the Thurman act plying their trade in 'explaining' to gentlemen why the act should be defeated, he might change his mind and act declaively in the interest of the people. If he saw fit he might also discover people. If he saw fit he might also discover the amount of money paid and to whom paid in the spring of 1878 when Gould was an acin the spring of 1878 when Gould was an active worker with Huntington in trying to defeat the passage of the Thurman act. He might also discover how much money was shipped by express to this city from the Union Paclic office in New York presumably with the object of 'explaining' to gentlemen why the Pacific railroad robbers should have a new lease of life by the defeat of the act of 1878."

lows and Nebraska Pensions. WASHINGTON, August 121,- | Special Telegram to the Bee. |--- The following Nebraska pensions were granted to-day: Mary, widow of John H. Packett, Falls City; Evaline, mother of George H. Brown, Geneva. Increase, Joe Clark, Battle Creek; Charles S. James, Juniata: Rodney Conner. Osceola; Henry Miller, Wahoo; Charles Cool-idge, Central City; John A. Dewolf, Bur-

idge, Central City; John A. Dewolf, Burnett.

lowa pensions: Margaret, mother of Charles W. Shaw, Beacon; Falvin A. Anderson, Russell: Darius C. Quinby, Monticello; Joshua L. Morris, Clarinda. Increase: Elijah Ernin, Thayer; Daniel Finney, Corning; William H. Pollock, Mt. Ayr; James Shipley, Creston; W. B. Harris, Indianola; James K. Deaton, Carlisle: George P. Morris, Ottunwa; Martin L. Mikesell, Muscatine; Sanford S. Biown, Milo; Edwin A. Ward, Sheldon; John McLeon, Keokik.

Tobacco Men Air Their Grievances Washington, August 22.-A committee of Western and Southern tobacco men called on Commissioner Coleman this morning, headed by ex-Congressman Willis, to set forth their grievances regarding the recent report of Statistician Dodge upon the acreage of tobacco, etc. Commissioner Cole-man replied, warmly eulogizing Prof. Dodge. If any mistake had been made it would be found to be a mistake of the head alone.

Peoria Invites the President. WASHINGTON, August 22,-Assistant Postmaster-General Stevens called at the White House to-day and presented to the president an invitation from N. E. Worthington, of Peoria, Ill., on behalf of the citizens of Peoria, to visit that city while on his Wast-ern tour. The president expressed a desire ern tour. The president expressed a desire to meet the people of Peoria and said he would accept the invitation if he found it possible to do so.

His Last "30."

St. Joseph, Mo., August 22.- | Special Telegram to the BEE. |-W. D. Mills, a telegraph operator employed by the Western Union of this city, died at 7:30 last evening of typhoid pneumonial aged nineteen years His remains will be sent to Havanna, Ill., for burial. A handsome harp made of flowers, with the figures "3" in the center, was the tribute paid to his memory by the Wastern Union employs beta Western Union employes here,

Steamship Arrivals.

NEW YORK, August 22. - [Special Telegram to the BEE. |-The Fulda from Bremen; the Spain from Liverpool; the Bassano from SOUTH HAMPTON, August 22 .- The Ems from New York for Bremen.

QUEENSTOWN, August 22.—The City of Chicago from New York for Liverpool; the

Lord Gough from Philadelphia for Liver-

THINKS IT WAS SET ON FIRE.

He was not a statesman, neither was he The York City Arrives at Gravesend With the Montreal Passengers.

CAPTAIN BENN INTERVIEWED.

He Tells of the Rescue and How His Guests Were Entertained-He Believes an Incendiary Fired the Vessel.

Big-Hearted Captain Benn. [Copyright 1887 by James Gordon Bennett.] LONDON, August 22,-- | New York Herald's Special Cablegram to the BEE. |-- The Furness line steamer, York City, which brought the City of Montreal's burnt-out passengers and crew to Queenstown arrived off Gravesand this morning. It was immediately boarded by three American ladies, Mrs. Fairbank, of Ohio, and two friends who were curious to know how the Montreal living freight had been accommodated aboard the York City. After Captain Benn had explained everything to them, the vessel proceeded for the Victoria dock and drew tast to her wharf at 1 p. m. where the crowd had assembled to see the much talked of rescuer. I went aboard at once to get an interview with Captain Benn whom I found to be a bluff, hearty Yorkshireman speaking with broad Yorkshire accent. He said: on the 11th I sighted what appeared to be a vessel on fire, bearing twelve or fifteen miles away. I immediately furled all sails and made towards her, thinking and hoping I might be of some service. At 8:30 p. m. with a strong wind, and I think a small rain, I got close alongside and made her out au Inman line steamer, all ablaze fore and aft. I went close alonside to windward, when I found all her boats gone and tackles hanging over her sides. I presumed all nands had either been taken off by some other vessel or were still adrift on the water. In the meantime I made every preparation for picking up the crew. The passengers had stationed some hands aloft to look out while others stood ready with life buoys, ropes, ladders, etc. cruised around unsuccessfully until 9:30 p. m., when my look-out man sighted a bridge light to the northeast, distant about five miles. 1 at once made for it, and they must have seen my vessel, for the next moment they burned torches which kept waving to and fro. The light proved to belong to a small bark laden with petroleum, sailing under an easy canvas. I went close under her stern and hailed her: "Have you any tidings of the burnt ship's

crew?" I asked. He replied:

"Yes, I have them aboard," and asked me to lay to by him until daylight,

which I did. "At 5:30 a.m. on the 7th," continued Captain Benn, "I again went close to the barque

and learned he had 140 passengers and the crew of the City of Montreal. They asked me would I take them aboard which I readily agreed to do. I at once ordered my boats out and commenced to transfer them to my vessel, with the assistance of one small boat belonging to the City of Montreal. The weather being fine and having great assistance from the Montreal's officers everything was accomplished safely and comfortably. At 8 a.m. all were aboard. My crew in the meantime had unbent all our sails, took off the tarpaulin awnings, and made tents them on the deck. I also used up my spare timber in making several bunks under the forecastle head. I learned they had been very much cramped on board the barque as only six or seven could go below at the same time and owing to the nature of her cargo they could not smoke, so 1 at once gave everyone free access to my cabins, berths, etc. I distributed ten pounds of to bacco and some pipes among the men and the women 1 put into the wheel house where I sent my stewardess to brighten them with her coffee anc brand, etc. They were all in fairly good spirits but sopping wet through, and all expressed themselves delighted at our coming to take them off the barque which they heartly cheered as we parted company. My head steward soon prepared a feast and all ate heartily as if they were hungry. They continually talked about their marvelous escape, but fairly well enjoyed themserves. One passen ger who had lost everything except his flute played every evening while others danced sang and gave recitations. To while away the time 1 gave them books cards and draft boards

1 had, for which they were very much pleased. The Montreat's captain and officers shared everything I had in my quarters. Luckily my cargo sisted of a quantity of edibles So, to help my own ship's provisions last out I broached my cargo to the extent of twenty sacks of flour and ten cans of corn beef. Everything else I had plenty of. In fact the steward has just told me he has over ten pounds of tea still on hand. We were when we left the barque, 155 miles from Queenstown and did it in seven days. In my own mind I feel certain the fire was not an accident but the work of some malicious person or persons because the fire broke out fore and aft at the same time, and the two bull heads were untouched between.

I was very much pleased with the address of thanks presented to me and from the number of letters I received this morning from friends congratulating me and asking for a copy. I shall have to get it lithographed for distribution.' Part of the above interview took place while we were riding to the agent's office to report, after which the captain left to join his wife and children at his home in Whitby famous for its jet ornaments and fish.

Another City of Montreal Victim. [Copy-ight 1887 by James Gordon Bennett,] QUEENSTOWN, August 22 .- | New York Herald Cable-Special to the BEE. |-A steerage passenger, John Collet, landed Fri day from the City of Montreal, died in the hospital here to-day from congestion of the lungs. On the alarm of fire he got into a boat partly dressed, and suffered from exposure to the cold for nine hours. The names of the doctors who sailed on the Umbria yester day are E. S. Bailey, G. F. Blandford, Y. E. F. Colbes, H. W. Dearborn, George Douglas, Dr. Dalton, Farmer Davis, Dr. Doran, Dr. Galton, Dr. Murphy, Dr. Mansell, Nea Mitchell, Richard Melling, Dr. McGregor, Ashmore Noakes, A. G. Price, F. H. Stuart, Dr. Sprengle, Dr. Snellinge, E. P. Thwing, George Walker and two dentises.

(Copyright 1887 by James Gord in Bennett.) PARIS, August 21-| New York Herald Cable-Special to the Bre -- Aaron Vanderpoete died here at 1 o'clock to-day suddenly on Twenty-sixth avenue, Fredeland.

Russell Arraigns the Tories. LONDON, August 22.—Russell, member of parliament, who left the liberal-unionist party because of the proclamation of the National league, has written a letter to explain his resignation. He says: "I have done my best to persuade my party and the government from proclaiming the league, but have falled. The govern-

ment, in my opinion, have sped their last bul-let, and have handed over Uister to Parnell. I confess that my heart burned with indigna-tion to see my friends sacrificing the union and sacrificing loyal trusts to a handful of unreasonable landlords deserving of no-body's consideration."

Russia Won't Recognize Ferdinand. St. Petersburg, August 23.—It is of-ficially announced that the government has

sent a circular to the powers declaring that it is unable to recognize the validity of Prince Ferdinand's election to the throne of Bulgaria. According to the circular Prince Ferdinand acquainted the czar with the fact of his election, and requested permission to visit St. Petersburg in order to learn the czar's wishes before going to Bulgaria. The czar swisnes betore going to Bilgaria. The czar replied that the prince's election would not be recognized by Russia and the prince could by no pretext justify the journey to Bulgaria. The circular, in conclusion, ex-presses the hope that the people of Bulgaria will coincide with Russian views and not permit a flagrant violation of the Berlin treaty.

Chicago Solid With the Queen. LONDON, August 22.-Mr. Collier, of Chi cago, was granted an audience by the queen this afternoon at Osborne house, when he presented to her majesty the jubilee address of the British residents of Chicago. The queen accepted the address with a few gracious words and handed Collier a written reply expressing her appreciation. The crown prince of Germany was present. The reception was extraordinary, in view of the queen's absolute refusal to personally receive the English addresses published here.

Wrongly Interpreted. PHILOPIPOLIS, August 21. - According to a semi-official statement Prince Ferdinand's proclamation has been wrongly intrepreted.
The Prince never proclaimed Bulgaria's
political independence. He has always been
ready to respect the Berlin treaty.

League Branches Still Meet. DUBLIN, August 22.—The Loughrea and Armaugh branches of the National league met yesterday and resolved to continue work notwithstanding the proclamation of the

Emperor William Improving. Berlin, August 22.-The Official Bulletin says that Emperor William continues to improve, and that his rheumatism has dimin-ished.

Deputy Laur Libelled. PARIS, August 22.-Deputy Laur has summoned Paul de Cassagnac before the courts. Laur charges that his character was defamed by De Cassagnac in connection with the Boulanger coup d'etat story.

An Appointment Cancelled. MADRID, August 22.-The Gazette to-day publishes a decree cancelling the appointment of Senor Salamanca as captain gen-

Russians Expelled From Germany. Berlin, August 22 .- The government has expelled two Russian families who resided in the environs of the city.

TWICE PAID.

Reported Duplication of Land Office Claims Being Investigated. MNEW YORK, August 22.- | Special Telegram to the BEE. |-The Tribune's Washington special says: "It was stated in the Tribune recently that certain drafts had been issued by the treasury department for the payment of claims on account of surveys of public lands in California, which accounts, in some cases, were not properly certified by the commissioner of the general land office in ac cordance with the law, and that in some case drafts had been thus issued for the benefit of claimants whose accounts had been already once paid. These statements were denied by Comptroller Durham, who, it appears, is the treasury official on whose certificate drafts are issued for payments on account of pub lic land service. Now, as to duplicate payments, the Tribune correspondent a ain asserts that they were made and that the records of the treasury department will show that they were made."

The correspondent then goes on to itemize the accounts of deputy survayers in Calithe accounts of deputy surveyors in Calthe accounts of deputy surveyors in Can-fornia which have been paid twice and the duplicate largely in excess of former claims. He gives dates and particulars with great care, and adds: "The attempt of the comp-troller to sweep away by a quasi denial the statements made by the Tribune, have not been successful. On the contrary it is known that the matter is the subject of official corthat the matter is the subject of official cor respondence between the head of the in terior department and the head of the treas ury department, and there are the best o reasons for asserting that the action of the comptroller is undergoing a critical exami-nation in the latter department. For reasons which seem sufficient to the officials con-cerned the inquiry is conducted with great secresy and the utmost circumspection, but there is no doubt that all the essential facts will become public in due time."

British Grain Trade Review. LONDON, August 22 .- The Mark Lane Ex press, in its review of the British grain trade during the past week, says: The rainfall has checked the threshing and delivery of wheat, and consequently has arrested the downfall course of prices, although values in London and some provincial markets have contined in favor of buyers. Estimates based on the government statement as to the acreage of crops for 1887 place the net yield of wheat at about 5,250,000 quarters, after deducting 600, 000 quarters for seed. Sales of English wheal during the week were 21,022 quarters at 32s. against 48,050 quarters at 33s.
7d. during the corresponding week last year.
The foreign wheat trade is devoid of feature.
Russian and American samples are competing at lowest rates. Two cargoes of wheat arrived. Two cargoes were sold, two were withdrawn and two await orders. There is only a dragging sale of flour. Corn is firm. Barleys are quiet. To-day, with a return of bright sunshine, the market was weaker. New English wheats were in small supply. but values were lower.

Gone to Arrrest the Two Utes. MEEKER, Colo., (via Glenwood Springs, August 22.- | Special Telegram to the Bek. -Sheriff Kendall left this morning to arrest the Utes named "Big Frank" and "Salto." He had seventy-five well-armed men with him and three days' rations. The Indians are located twenty-five miles up the White river in a dense timber on high ground and are strongly torthied. The number is esti-mated at from 195 to 250 and it will take ten times their number to dislodge them. News from Kendall is expected to morrow. It is thought that a battle is inevitable and the result is anxiously awaited.

A Nebraska Excursion to St. Joe. Sr. Joe. Mo., August 22.- | Special Tele gram to the BEEJ .- An excursion party of 200 people residents of Nel-son. Nuckolis county, Nebraska, arrived in St. Joe to-day over the new Chi-cago, Kansas & Nebraska railway (Rock Island). Nelson is the present terminus of the Rock Island's northwest line. The party was received by the board of trade and will eturn home to morrow. Its object is simply to become better acquainted with the city and its people.

Must Produce the Books

NEW YORK, August 22.—The hearing before Judge Bookstaver, in the court of common pleas to-day, in the Ives & Co., assignment, resulted in the direction from the court that Ives & Co. must appear before the referee and disclose the whereabouts of the missing books.

Will Resume Dividends. NEW YORK, August 22.-The Pacific Steamship company's executive committee decided to-day to resume payment of dividends. The directors meet Wednesday and will declare a dividend of 1 per cent. It was decided inexpedient to reduce the capital stock.

THE SEQUEL TO A SUICIDE.

Mitchell Vance & Co. of New York ar

Seriously Embarrassed. WHAT TREASURER SMITH SAYS

He Admits the Company Paid Out Large Sums of Money on Wilcox's Account But Will Not Explain Matters More Fully.

A Tragedy Recalled. NEW YORK, August 22.- | Special Teles

gram to the BEE. |- Dennis C. Wilcox, at

that time president of the urm of Mitchell. Vance & Co., manufacturers of gas fixtures, at 636 Broadway, after a year of ill health, due to immense losses in stock, grain and other speculations, shot himself to death in his luxurious home early on the morning of April 13, 1886. He was fifty-seven years old-He had begun life as a manufacturer of bronze goods in a small way in Meriden, where he was born, and had developed great ability for conducting business of that sort, Without leaving his interests in bronze goods he went into the manufacture of plated wars and became secretary of the Meriden Brittania company, and eventually was interested in about a dozen different manufacture ing concerns, all of which proved verp profitable. In 1871 he came to New York as the representative of the Brittania company. He lost heavily on James R. Keene's big wheat deal. Then he went into stocks and the panic that followed the failure of Grant & Ward crippled him badly. His losses preyed upon him. He could not sleep at night. Finally after passing an entire night of wakefulness, he went to the billiard room of his home, cast himself upon sofe and with a small seven shouter rebilliard room of his home, cast himself upon a sofa and with a small seven-shooter revolver sent a bullet through his brain, Although it was said, at the time, that none of the manufacturing companies in which he was interested had been affected by his operations, it now appears that Mitchell, Vance & Co., with a credit rating at commercial agencies of \$1,000,000 and more, and a capital of \$1,200,000 was compelled immediately after his suicide to raise a large sum of money, and that business since has not been profitable enough to make up this amount. It was reported Saturday that the stockholders had been called together, and had decided to apply to have a receiver apointed. On this point Mr. caned together, and had decided to apply to have a receiver apointed. On this point Mr. Edgar M. Smith, treasurer and manager of the company declined to speak yesterday, and of the cause of the company's difficulties he would only say, "We had a large sum to raise in cash immediately following Mr. Wilcox's death. It was a heavy drain on the funds of the tirm." funds of the firm.

funds of the firm."

"It is intimated then that he had used the company's name to raise money?"

"No, not at all. I do not wish to make any explanation of matters. It is not necessary. It is enough to say that we had to pay out-large sums on his account."

"Was that all the trouble that the company badd"?

"Was that all the trouble that the company had?"
"No, prices have ruled very low, for one thing, and labor troubles have hurt us. A great deal of business has not been as profitable as it should have been to meet our losses."
"Will a receiver be appointed?"
"I do not know; that has not been determined."
"Do you,think the assets of the company

"Do you,think the assets of the company exceed the liabilities?"
"Yes, the company has stood at the head of those engaged in making gas fixtures. Its capital is \$1,200,000. A Woman Arrested For Murder.

GARDNER, Ill., August 22. - Miss Sarah H. Dodge was arrested to-night on the charge of being the murderess of Babcock, of Chicago, who died yesterday from a mysterious pistol shot received at Gardner. Miss Dodge is thirtya farm. Babcock frequently visited them, and seems to have paid marked attention to the daughter recently. There is a rumor that Babcock borrowed considerable money from one or both of the women. The possessions of Miss Dodge and her mother are estimated at \$75,000. Nothing of consequence was brought out in the preliminany examination of Miss Dodge. Practically nothing has bred of Miss Dodge. Practically nothing has bred been made public concerning her connection the tragedy, except that she met Babcock at the depot when he arrived from Chicago and is believed to have conveyed him in a buggy to Gardner after he was wounded.

Took Chloroform and Died.

Кеокик, Ia., August 22.—|Special Telegram to the BEE. I-Last Sunday night about 9 o'elock Charles B. Foster secured a room at the Allison house and retired. There was nothing strange in his actions but he did not arise this morning. At the dinner hour he had not yet come down and an investigation was made which revealed the fact that he was dead. A chloroform bottle was found by his bed and a towel was grasped in his hand which had evidently been saturated with the fluid. Those who know him think it was not suicide but an accident as he is known to have used the drug on several oc-casions. He leaves a wife and six small children. He was a good musician and had been training with fleath & McIntyre's

minstrel's. Will Exchange For New Bonds. Boston, August 22.—The news bureau says a majority of the Wisconsin Central second mortrage bondholders have agreed to exchange for securities of the new corporad tion. Enough of the new first mortgage bonds have been sold at par to assure the completion of the contemplated improvements. The new reorganization was for the purpose of securing bonds that could be sold for improvements, which, under the old plancould be made only out of the net earnings. could be made only out of the net earnings. The officers of the company say they now see their way clear to pay 5 per cent on the new income bonds, while it was impossible to pay on the old 7 per cent second mortgage

Elgin Dairy Market.

ELGIN, Ill., August 22.-With lower prices elsewhere and numerous showers butter jumped 2 cents to-day, but was held steady at a decline, with sellers disposed to hold their goods. Only 8,000 pounds were sold. One sale was at 26 cents, the remainder at 25

The Visible Supply. Chicago, August 22.—The visible supply of grain for the week ending August 20, as

compiled by the secretary of the Chicago board of trade, is as follows: Wheat......31,598,000 Corn..... 6,100,000 Oats 4,443,000 Rye 311,000 Barley 154,000

Horses and Hay Burned. HASTINGS, Minn., August 22 .- Two large barns of William Mies and Son were struck

by lightning last night and burned to the ground. Twenty Norman horses perished in the flames and seventy tons of hay were burned. The loss is \$30,000. Weather Indications. For Nebraska: Generally fair weather,

northerly winds, shifting to easterly, slightly warmer in northern portion, stationary temterature in southern portion. For lowa: Fair weather, northerly winds becoming variable, cooler in southeast pore tion, slightly warmer in northwest portion.

For Dakota: Generally fair weather variable winds, slight rise in temperature. A Short Cashier.

CHARLESTON, S. C., August 22.-C. E. Bartlett, cashier of the Sumter National bank at Sumter, disappeared this morning and it was subsequently ascertained that he had absconded with about \$20,000. The bank has suspended temperarity, but can stand